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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

9 SANAA HAMMOU,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 USCIS,

13 Defendant.  
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CASE NO. C17-5260JLR

ORDER


15 Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 4 requires a plaintiff to serve the defendant with a  
16 summons and a copy of the plaintiff's complaint and sets forth the specific requirements  
17 for doing so. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 4. Rule 4(m), which provides the timeframe in which  
18 service must be effectuated, states in relevant part:

19 If a defendant is not served within 90 days after the complaint is filed, the  
20 court—on motion or on its own after notice to the plaintiff—must dismiss  
the action without prejudice against that defendant or order that service be  
21 made within a specified time. But if the plaintiff shows good cause for the  
failure, the court must extend the time for service for an appropriate period.  
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1 *Id.* Here, Plaintiff has failed to serve Defendant with a summons and a copy of Plaintiff's  
2 complaint within the timeframe provided in Rule 4(m).

3 Accordingly, the court ORDERS Plaintiff to SHOW CAUSE within ten (10) days  
4 of the date of this order why this action should not be dismissed for failure to comply  
5 with Rule 4(m). If Plaintiff does not demonstrate good cause for the failure, the court  
6 will dismiss the action without prejudice.

7 Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2017.

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9 JAMES L. ROBART  
United States District Judge